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TAGS: OVIP (INGERSOLL, ROBERT S.)

SUBJECT: VISIT BY DEPUTY SECRETARY

REF: STOCKHOLM 5492

1. DEPUTY SECRETARY APPRECIATES SUGGESTIONS CONTAINED REF-TEL, WHICH HE APPROVES WITH CHANGES AND OBSERVATIONS NOTED BELOW. IN ADDITION, HE WOULD LIKE TO STRESS THAT HE WISHES AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE TO FOLLOW THE PROPOSALS OF THE SWEDISH GOVERNMENT, INASMUCH AS HE WILL BE THEIR OFFICIAL GUEST. IN THIS CONNECTION, HE HOPES EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS THAT SUGGESTIONS WHICH HAVE PREVIOUSLY COME FROM DEPARTMENT WERE MEANT TO BE ILLUSTRATIVE AND IN NO WAY BINDING ON THE SWEDISH GOVERNMENT. IN SHORT, HE WOULD LIKE TO DO AND SEE PRIMARILY WHAT THE SWEDISH GOVERNMENT THINKS HE SHOULD DO AND SEE.

2. DEPUTY SECRETARY AND PARTY WILL ARRIVE IN STOCKHOLM ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, AT 10:25 A.M., ABOARD SK 732 FROM OSLO.

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3. DEPUTY SECRETARY WOULD LIKE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH

AMBASSADOR AND COUNTRY TEAM SHORTLY AFTER HIS ARRIVAL,
PERHAPS OVER LUNCHEON.

4. DEPUTY SECRETARY IS AMENABLE TO TALKS AT MFA ON
AFTERNOON OF SEPTEMBER 10, INCLUDING RUN-OVER TO MORNING
OF SEPTEMBER 11 IF NECESSARY.

5. DEPUTY SECRETARY WOULD LIKE TO ADD TWO EVENTS TO
SCHEDULE IN STOCKHOLM: MEETINGS WITH AMERICAN STAFF OF
EMBASSY AND WITH AMERICAN BUSINESS COMMUNITY. WITH
RESPECT TO STAFF, DEPUTY SECRETARY HAS IN MIND VERY
INFORMAL SESSION (IN SMALL EMBASSY AUDITORIUM IF AVAILABLE)
AT WHICH HE WOULD PROVIDE 5-10 MINUTES OF THE VIEW FROM
THE DEPARTMENT TO BE FOLLOWED BY 15-20 MINUTES FOR
QUESTIONS. HE WOULD BE OPEN TO ANY QUESTIONS ON US
POLICY AS WELL AS INTERNAL FOREIGN SERVICE AND DEPARTMEN-
TAL MATTERS. WITH RESPECT TO BUSINESS COMMUNITY, HE
WOULD BE HAPPY TO ACCOMMODATE ANY FORMAT WHICH APPEALS TO
BUSINESSMEN AND WHICH IS COMPATIBLE WITH HIS SCHEDULE.
PERHAPS BREAKFAST MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 11, OR LUNCHEON
ON SEPTEMBER 12.

6. WITH RESPECT TO SEPTEMBER 13, DEPUTY SECRETARY IS
INTERESTED IN SEEING ASPECTS OF MODERN LIFE IN SWEDEN.
TOUR OF KALMAR GLASS AREA IS ACCEPTABLE IF IT ALSO PERMITS
OPPORTUNITIES TO SEE HOW SWEDES LIVE AND WORK. DEPUTY
SECRETARY NOTES THAT SEPTEMBER 13 IS A SATURDAY AND
THEREFORE FACTORIES MAY NOT BE IN OPERATION. MIGHT IT
BE MORE INTERESTING TO VISIT UPPSALA AREA OR NEW TOWNS
EXEMPLARY OF SWEDISH WELFARE STATE? DEPUTY SECRETARY
DOES NOT INTEND TO REJECT VISIT TO KALMAR IF THAT IS
PROPOSAL OF SWEDISH GOVERNMENT; BUT HE WISHES GOS TO
UNDERSTAND THAT HE IS QUITE FLEXIBLE ON SCHEDULE FOR THIS
DAY. WE NEED EMBASSY'S VIEWS ON THIS POINT AS SOON AS
POSSIBLE IN ORDER TO MAKE NECESSARY DEPARTURE ARRANGE-
MENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 14.

7. WITH REGARD TO SIGHTSEEING ON AFTERNOON OF FRIDAY,
SEPTEMBER 12, DEPUTY SECRETARY WOULD WELCOME CAR AND
SWEDISH GUIDE IF GOVERNMENT WERE INCLINED TO PROVIDE
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ONE.

8. MRS. INGERSOLL WILL REPEAT WILL ACCOMPANY DEPUTY
SECRETARY TO LINKOPING. HOWEVER, RATHER THAN TOURING
FACTORY SHE WOULD LIKE OPPORTUNITY FOR SEPARATE SCHEDULE
AS EMBASSY COULD SUGGEST. SHE WOULD APPRECIATE OPPOR-
TUNITY TO VISIT MODERN ART GALLERIES ON SEPTEMBER 10 SO
THAT SHE MIGHT RETURN WITH THE DEPUTY SECRETARY ON

SEPTEMBER 11 FOR POSSIBLE PURCHASE OF SOME MODERN SWEDISH
PAINTING.

9. EMBASSY'S REACTIONS TO ABOVE SUGGESTIONS WOULD BE
APPRECIATED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. INGERSOLL

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